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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire  
Chief Clerk & Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of New Cost Recovery Mechanism and Portfolio of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Programs  
**Docket No. 2013-298-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed and supports the letter submitted by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC" or the "Company") on December 6, 2017, in the above referenced Docket. In the letter, the Company requests Commission approval to end the Appliance Recycling Program tariff.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

Andrew M. Bateman

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